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The cost of a stall is £5 per table and we would like to ask if you would be prepared to donate 10% of your takings to our charity. The event will be well advertised, both in the village and more widely.

To book a stall please complete the booking form below and return it to Patsie Ostler at the address on the right hand side. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call Patsie on 07921 541549.

Booking Form for SPARC Family Craft and Activity Afternoon on 9th June 2012

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I enclose £..... for my stall. Signed ..... Date .....

Please return by 26th May

Copy date for the next issue is 15th March to Margaret Sellars at bhneditor@yahoo.com, or see page 2 for other contact details.

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Maxi ads (£8.50 per month) and **Mini ads (£5 per month)** should be submitted by 15th of the month prior to their inclusion. Sizes: Maxi 6 x 4.5 cm-9 x 6 cm. Mini 6 x 2 cm– 6 x 4 cm.

The ¼ page ads are for local businesses and we guarantee publication. This often results in a waiting list and, to help overcome this problem, we provide maxi and mini ads. These appear throughout the publication and we cannot guarantee their inclusion due to restrictions of space.

EDITORIAL

There is no charge for **Articles, What's On, For Sale and Lost and Found,** and these appear at the Editor's discretion. Please submit items by 15th of the month.

All telephone numbers without an area code are Crafts Hill (01954).

All items can be submitted **electronically on disc or to bhneditor@yahoo.com, or hard copy via Parish Council Office.**

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Dear Residents

RECENT COLD SNAP

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We nominated such a person and he duly went on the scheme where he learnt that the Council was to get 2 gritting machines – one to spread brine on the paths before the snow fell and another to spread grit after snow had fallen. It was planned that the full length of the spine path would be treated.

Then fate intervened: the snow came before the gritting machines were delivered. In spite of emails being sent to the County Council and to our County Councillor John Reynolds, the snow and ice had almost gone before the machines arrived. The gritting machine finally arrived on Friday 10 February (after the second lot of snow) thanks mainly to John Reynolds having scoured the county for one. Twenty bags of salt were also delivered and our trained gritter went to the Parish Council Office to begin work. What happened next could not have been written by the best fiction writer – all of the bags of salt were frozen and stiff and could not be used. I went to see the Clerk on Monday 13 February and in the office were 2 bags of salt, thawing. Of course, later that day it rained and the sun shone, and it was thawing all over the village.

I want to apologise to residents that the Parish Council, through no real fault of its own, was not able to make it easier for you to get around the village. It is very little help to tell you that we shall be well prepared for next winter (if it snows!).

I know that residents have found useful the extra salt bins which the Parish Council purchased and placed in vulnerable roads, and that residents in these areas have been able to use the grit to help get their cars out of their road. The bins are filled up by the County Council so we are dependent upon their lorries being able to get to the bins.

Margaret Sellars
Chairman
Parish Council

Willingham Craft Fair
Saturday 17th March
2 pm to 4 pm
Ploughman's Hall Fen Road Willingham
This event takes place on the 3rd Saturday of the month and is local craft people selling their creations, stalls include jewellery, candy and cards, sock monkeys, quilt creations and many more. Refreshments are also available.

REPORT FROM SOUTH CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL

COUNCIL TAX

South Cambridgeshire District Council is responsible for collecting council tax from residents or people who own dwellings within its area. The money that is collected helps to finance the services South Cambs provide but South Cambs also collect money on behalf of Cambridgeshire County Council, Cambridgeshire Police Authority, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority and your local Parish Council.

Your Council Tax is also paid to Cambridgeshire County Council who are proposing 2.95% increase, Cambridgeshire Fire & Rescue who are proposing a 2.5% increase, Cambridgeshire Police Authority have voted for a 2.92% increase, South Cambridgeshire District Council who are freezing the Council Tax and your Parish Council, Bar Hill PC are freezing theirs

Senior councillors have backed plans to build hundreds of new Council-owned homes as well as freezing council tax today (Thursday 9 February) at a meeting of South Cambridgeshire District Council's Cabinet.

The Council's proposed budget for 2012/13 was announced last week and was debated by councillors at a meeting of Full Council on Thursday 23 February.

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CELEBRATIONS COULD BE RIGHT UP YOUR STREET - FREE!

Party people who are looking to organise a street celebration to mark the Queen's Diamond Jubilee or the greatest sporting show on earth can do so without paying a penny to Cambridgeshire County Council! After the success of street parties to celebrate the royal wedding of Prince William and Catherine Middleton last year, Cambridgeshire County Council is encouraging residents to start planning celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee and the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

The County Council has made the road closure application process easier for anyone who wants to get their community together for a street party - and for small community events the council will charge nothing for road closures on a cul-de-sac or residential roads without significant through traffic.

Bar Hill Fête – 14th July 2012

The booking form is now available for those of you who would like a stall at the Bar Hill Fête this year. They can be accessed by visiting our dedicated website:

www.barhillvillagefete.org/news/bookingformfor2012nowavailable

We are hoping for as many stalls as possible, so please get your application forms in.

We would also like to encourage all organisations in the village to work more closely with us this year. It would be great for all the village organisations to be able to feel that they were part of this day as this is a time when as a village we can come together and enjoy ourselves while raising money for your own organisation. If you can think of any way in which you can help whether in a large or small way. Please contact **karen.austen@ntlworld.com or 781085**

Do keep an eye on our website www.barhillvillagefete.org to see what we have planned for 2012.

Kind regards

Ruth Pimentel

Bar Hill Fête Committee.

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2. ADULT CLASS (17 and over)

(excludes present members of Swavesey Camera Club or professional photographers).

Competition is for prints only. All prints should be a maximum size A4 and may be monochrome or colour. On the reverse they should have the photographer's name, address and phone number, age (over 17's may state "adult"!). A title is preferred but not compulsory. All entries and winners will be shown at the Camera Club Exhibition on SAT 24th March in the Memorial Hall. Maximum of 2 prints per entrant in each category. There are 3 categories in each class;

(1) Within a mile of home
(2) A great big close-up.
(3) Yellow.

Closing date for entries is Friday 16th March.

Judging will be done by a committee of Swavesey Camera Club members. Certificates will be given for the winner and runner up in each category; from these an overall winner and runner up will be selected from each class for whom there will be a cash prize and free membership for 1 year for Swavesey Camera Club. Prints for competition can be sent or delivered to

Peter Looper, 23 Moat Way, Swavesey CB24 4TR
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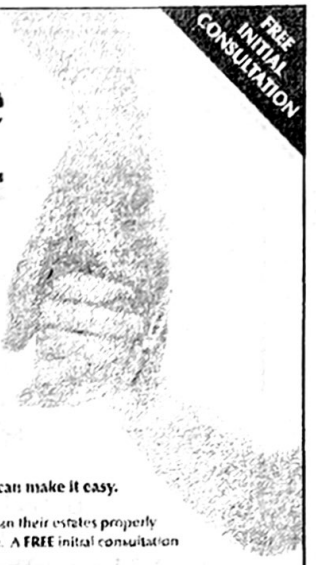

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CRICKET CLUB

Despite snow on the ground at the time of writing, the league fixture lists have been published, so the cricket season feels as if it is nearly upon us.

The club will have **two sides in the CCA league** this season. The firsts will be in Division 2B, and will face Cambridge Granta III, Cambridge NCI III, Fen Ditton, Haslingfield, Little Shelford, Milton, Waterbeach and Wilbrahams II.

Meanwhile, the seconds' opponents in Division 5A are Chatteris III, Elsworth II, Madingley II, Over II, Sutton II, Waterbeach II and Willingham II.

The club has also entered a **midweek evening league** – details to follow next month when the fixtures are confirmed.

Our **new under-12 team** will play against Cambourne, Coton, Histon, Longstanton and Over.

We are also planning a small number of **Sunday friendlies,** including the Chairman's Challenge against the Sports & Social Club.

Nets are continuing on **Monday nights** from 8 pm to 9.30 pm until March 19. The cost is £3 for adults and £1.50 for anyone aged under-18 or all those in full-time education (please note IOU's will not be accepted). If anyone needs to arrange a lift, please contact me on the number below.

Youth members will have their own **training sessions** in the spring and summer – further details in due course.

The club is looking for **new members,** regardless of age, gender and level of experience. For more information, please contact me on the number below. We are probably the cheapest club in the area to play for, as we have no adult membership fees, and only charge match fees. For youth members, there is an annual fee of £10, and no match fees.

Much more about the club can be found on our website at **ww.barhillcricket.org.uk**

Paul Stimpson
201212

Memorial Garden

The autumn planting is now beginning to show as the snowdrops are starting to flower, the witch hazel has been in flower for some time and the camelias are budding up. The extra shrubs, plants and bulbs have filled the garden and the raised beds have lots of tulip bulbs, daffodils, pansy and primulas. Hopefully when the warmer weather comes these will being lots of colour to the garden. Please spare a moment of quiet reflection and walk round. We hope everyone will enjoy the garden.

Helen Collins

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If you would like to come and feel that you would like to meet with Norma before hand, please call as above.

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The Coffee Stop

This now takes place every Wednesday at 10 am until 12 noon at the Library. Coffee, tea and biscuits are served, and it is a good opportunity to meet friends old and new and have a chat. Everyone is welcome. We support the "Friends of the Library" in making good use of this valuable resource and keeping it open for everyone. We would love to see you on a Wednesday morning.

BAR HILL COLTS F.C

WOW !! what a load of snow and therefore not much football played.

So, this month I will be featuring many of our team's captains

First up...

The Under 14's - **Christian Marin** nicknamed 'the Rock' as nothing goes

through him as a defensive player. However, he has recently contributed to the team's goals this season.

Loyal, polite and gives 110% at every training session and matches.

The Under 11's Ravens – **Liam Rabel**

Liam is a true leader and superb role model to players and spectators. He is an excellent communicator and he is able to influence the team on and off the field. His regular position is

central midfield playing in front of two defenders. Liam has progressed so much this season and has contributed by scoring seven goals and making many interventions and tackles to prevent opponents from scoring.He reads the game well and his natural athleticism often gets him into great positions in offensive and defensive areas.

Opposing managers have made many a passing compliment and we are extremly proud to have him wearing the colours of Bar Hill.

The Under 8's Rockets – **Seth O'Neill**

While the Rockets share the captaincy on a weekly basis, the main team captain is Seth who has played in every position. He plays his own football with his heart on his sleeve - desperate to do his best and help the team-mates perform to the best of their abilities. Seth's natural leadership and passion for the game is obvious and infectious on the pitch.

The Under 16's Rangers - **Matt Childs**.

Matt has matured as a player while he wears the captain's arm band.

Matt is also apart of a 25 man squad that play for Soham Elite team.

RANGERS FIGHT BACK

Girton 2 – 2 Rangers

Another game of two contrasting halves saw Bar Hill gain a good away point but if there had been goal line technology probably all three.

Bar Hill started sluggishly and Girton were more in control although Bar Hill did have chances through **Matt Childs & Seb Wayman**. Several chances from Girton were not converted and it wasn't until the 23rd minute that the deadlock was broken when **Ben Loraine** dived low to make a good save but unfortunately it fell to an advancing Girton player.

Bar Hill fell further behind when Rangers failed to clear the ball following a corner.

This seemed to have the effect on the players who started to look more urgent. Shots came in from **Dan Paine, Jim Murray** and **Tom Clark** but to no avail and the half finished 2-0 to Girton.

The second half saw Bar Hill snappier in the tackle resulting in **Matt Childs** having an effort cleared from the goal line. Midway through the half, Rangers pressure was rewarded when a penalty was awarded for pushing and **Matt** stepped up and buried the ball into the bottom left corner of the net.

A few minutes later **Alex Mendez** found himself in space on the right and drove the ball into the net for the equaliser.

The game finished all square although their second-half performance merited a win.

Other captains being...

The Under 9's Foxes – **Miles Harvey**

Not only can the goalkeeper see the whole game, which helps being a captain, but Miles will talk to his defenders. He will always try his best, listen to what we say put it into practice.

He is a great presence in the team and the best goalkeeper in our league.

The Under 13's Bombers - **Harvey Dibden-Angus**

Harvey is the main captain and plays a central midfield role. He brings a very common sense approach and praises the team well. He also sets an example for fitness and has a never-say-die approach. Harvey never gives up and always chases down every ball/player.

The Under 10's Bulletts do not have a regular captain but reward the man of the match player from the previous game.

Similarly the Under 13 girls Allstars team rotate the role so players gain self confidence with their team and with the referee.

The Under 16 girls Spitfires - **Katie (Kitkat) Page**.

Katie has been part of the team since we first started playing. She is one of the teams key defenders, our number 2 goalkeeperand also plays in midfield when required. She was awarded most improved player last season and was chosen as captain because she always encourages and motivates the team both on and off the pitch.

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A Debt of Honour – the Work of the Gurkha Trust

in the Library on 21 March at 7.00 p.m.

Tickets £5; half-price for Friends – please get your ticket in advance from Library staff if possible

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The Gurkha Trust

Our first talk for 2012, called 'A Debt of Honour', is a PowerPoint presentation by Major M E Thorp about the work of the Gurkha Trust. Do come along on 21 March, at 7.00 p.m. in the Library. Tickets are available from the Library: £2.50 for Friends, and £5 for others. It pays to be a Friend!

Are you still a Friend?

Thank you to all who have paid your subscription for 2012. If you have not renewed yours, please do; and if you are thinking about joining, call at the Library to do that. The more Friends we have, the more we demonstrate that Bar Hill values its Library. The cost remains £6 for individual members, and we have made a very modest increase to £8.50 for families (new members pay for each full month only).

Coffee mornings

This is your chance to meet people over coffee and biscuits and to choose from our modestly priced bargain books. The next two coffee mornings are on Thursday 1 March (how about wearing a daffodil to celebrate St David?) and Thursday 5 April, from 10 am to noon.

Who do you think you are?

If you have always wondered about your ancestors, call at the Library on Thursday 22 March to get started. Bernard Amps of the Cambridgeshire Family History Society will be there to offer advice, regardless of where your family comes from. He visits each month on the fourth Thursday.

Contact

email bookfarer@gmail.com

Bar Hill Sports and Social Club

The Sports and Social Club is situated on the top floor of the Village Hall. You can watch live sports on our two large TV screens in HD, play pool, darts, skittles and cribbage or enjoy a quiet drink in our conservatory bar.

What's on in March?

Membership Draw 3rd March, 2012
Membership Draw 17th March, 2012
AGM, Village Hall 20th March, 2012
Membership Draw 31st March, 2012

Looking Ahead...

Lady Stardust Disco and Karaoke 7th April, 2012
Membership Draw 14th April, 2012
Membership Draw 28th April, 2012

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Sat 17/3, 1500, Away to Mepal Sports
Sat, 24/3, 1500, Away to Brampton Reserves
Sat, 31/3, 1500, Away to West Row Gunners Reserves

Bar Hill Sports & Social Reserves, Kershaw BIS 5B League

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Not a Member?

New members are always welcome, join now for £10. Pop in and have a look around. Please ask the doorman or bar staff for a membership form. See our website for opening times. The club also has a junior membership for 16 and 17 years olds for a one off payment of £5. This is valid until full membership can be obtained at 18.

Andrew Wilkin
01954 781881 (BHSSC)

HAPPY HOURS – NEWSLETTER

Everyone pleased to be back in January and lots of catching up for all to do. We held a ballot to see what members would like to do for the Jubilee celebrations and a party in the Octagon came out tops so lots of planning to start. We also discussed the Summer Village Fête and agreed we would try to hold a stall of some sort, yet to be decided, but depending on the help available.

We held a bingo session and also a raffle, which raised £60 for Help the Heroes sent in memory of Ida Sulman, with thanks to the family for the lovely cake donated to the Club.

Our Speaker this month was Pam accompanied by Linda and Ginger, one of the dogs being trained as a Hearing Dog for the deaf. It was a very informative speech with slide pictures, explaining how they breed and train the dogs to help deaf people, including children who need a special "family dog". Pam also bought in lots of special gifts which she sells to help raise money. Training the dogs being very expensive: they start off with general people and then go on for specialist training before being paired with somebody from their waiting list. They then have an intense training together before going to their new home.

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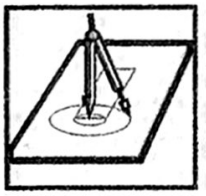

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Thurs 1 March - How to make a fascinator
Thurs 5 April - Birthday Party – members only
Thurs 3 May - Willingham Antiques
Thurs 7 June - Garden Party – members only
Thurs 5 July - Dr Leo Cheng talking about his experiences working on the Mercy Ships

If you would like to come along to a meeting please feel free to join us for one of the meetings or phone Barbara 204171, Adela 204265 or Ann 204687

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To report an issue you can call the County Councils Highways Agency on 0345 045 5212, or write to them at;

Cambridgeshire Highways CC1305
Castle Court Shire Hall
Castle Hill Cambridge CB3 0AP

Alternatively, and this is the Councils preferred option, you can report an issue online via the County Councils website http://goo.gl/9wMHL

The website presents you with a fairly simple form which you can either choose "Report with a map" or report by just entering the details.

Andy Pellew County Councillor
email address andy.pellew@gmail.com and mobile number 07814 871

BIN COLLECTION DATES

7 March	Black bin
14 March	Green and **blue bins**
21 March	Black bin
28 March	Green and **blue bins**
4 April	Black bin

Football Project

The pitch is available to hire in the evenings . The pitch is suitable for football and many other sporting activities such as mini tennis, hockey, bowls, volleyball and multi sports - it's a great venue for birthday parties. If you wish to find out more about hiring the facility then contact our Bookings Secretary, Julie Marin on 781838.

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Chairperson	Alan Hewings
Secretary	Paul Thorby
Treasurer	Jairo Marin

The Allotment Society

Anyone interested in renting space to grow their own produce can be put on our waiting list for membership. Plot allocator is Steve Thomas so if you would like to go on the waiting list for a plot please contact Steve on 781602 All other allotment matters should be addressed to bhallotment@hotmail.com

FRIENDS OF ROSIE

The Friends of the Rosie Hospital are helping to make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies.

If you have any spare ribbons or yarn we are in urgent need of your donation.

Follow us on the Rosie in Stitches facebook page.

During 2012 we shall be selling raffle tickets at £1 each for an exquisite hand-embroidered double bed quilt to be drawn at our AGM in 2013. You can buy tickets online through our website as well as from our Tea Bar, at the AGM and our many stalls (see below).

Our Annual General Meeting is on Monday 5th March 2012 from 12.45 pm to 2.30 pm in Seminar Room 4 at The Rosie Hospital, refreshments will be served at 12.30 pm.

Stall dates for the New Year
Tea Bar, Rosie Hospital Outpatient Clinic
Community Market, Bar Hill
Saturday 3rd March 10.30 am to 12.30 pm
Saturday 14th April 10.30 am to 12.30 pm

Outpatients at Addenbrooke's Hospital
Tuesday 27th March 10 am to 4 pm

We are registered for donations through eBay athttp://donations.ebay.co.uk/charity/charity.jsp?NP_ID=35736 and some of our items are for sale in our eBay Charity Store Rosieinstitches2010

There are links to IWOOT, The Skate Hut, Great Days Out, Farm and Cottage Holidays, Oak Furniture Solutions, GLTC, Garden Bargains, Habitat and Laura Ashley on our website. Go to their websites through ours by clicking on the shop you want. The Friends of the Rosie Hospital will receive a donation.

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If you can improve our website, provide transport for our volunteers or display a small selection of our wares please contact a member of the committee, details are given on our website.

Thank you for all your support.

I have continued with my dedicated high visibility patrols in the village, school and business visits. I have also completed reassurance visits to a number of residents that have been in need of Home Shield referral.

Creating a safer Cambridgeshire

Crime reports:

Between 11:30 hrs on 2nd January and 02:00 hrs on 3rd January, unknown offenders have damaged a padlock to a side gate of a business premises in Trafalgar Way, Bar Hill. Offenders have been seen on CCTV to enter the site and attempt to jemmy metal shutter before appearing to change their minds and leave the site.

At approximately 18:00 hrs on 6th January, at Tesco Petrol Filling Station in Bar Hill, an unknown male has filled up his vehicle with fuel before driving off without making any attempts to pay for the fuel obtained.

At approximately 10:30 hrs on 13th January 2012, an unknown offender has been seen to remove something, possibly metal, from the roof of an elderly resident's property in Acorn Avenue, Bar Hill. When challenged by a neighbour, the male has run off in the direction of Foxhollow or Gladeside. Unfortunately, an area search for the male conducted by the Police proved negative. The male is described as a young male, wearing a black woolly hat, short jacket and jeans.

On Sunday 22nd January, between 14:30 and 16:00 hours, three men described as Eastern Europeans have entered Tesco store and walked towards the computer equipment display, one of the men has cut the lock securing the laptop to the display shelf and one of the other men has removed the laptop from the shelf and placed the laptop up his jumper and made an attempt to walk out of the store. These men have realised that they were being watched on CCTV, and then they have dumped the laptop in the store and left.

I have collected and viewed the CCTV which clearly shows the suspects removing the laptop from the display shelf. A number of clear images of suspects have been circulated for identification. These suspects have now being identified and are due to be arrested.

On public request, I have been making some enquiries regards foreign registered vehicles being used in Bar Hill. An Audi A6 that is normally parked in Appletrees has been in the UK for over a year and the keeper has been warned by me and colleagues to register the vehicle with DVLA immediately or they could be liable for prosecution. Further enquiries are to be made with this vehicle owner.

The other vehicle parked in Pheasant Rise has only been in the UK for two months which is perfectly legal.

Visitors coming to the UK that don't intend living here can usually use a vehicle displaying foreign (non-UK) number plates for up to six months in a 12 month period. This can be one single or several shorter visits, adding up to a six month period. During this time the vehicle can travel displaying the non-UK Plates but only provided the vehicle is still fully registered and tax paid, in the country it came from (the driver's home Country).

For anyone wishing to stay in the UK for longer than a six month period, their vehicle will normally need to be registered and taxed at Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency (DVLA). There are exemptions for students and workers who normally live outside the UK but are only in the UK for a set study or work period.

At the last Parish Council meeting some parking issues were raised for Pheasant Rise, Bar Hill. So far I have managed to speak to three residents regards the manner of their parking, they have agreed to park elsewhere in the area where obstruction is not caused to other drivers, I have issued one warning notice to one of the residents for parking inconsiderately.

I have carried out speed checks in Crafts Way, Bar Hill last week. Good news as no vehicle was seen travelling in excess of the speed limit.

If you wish to report any other crime, suspicious behaviour or activity please rings our non-emergency number, 101. If you believe that a crime is in progress please ring 999. We also welcome anyone to contact us by replying to this email: bujar.mani@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Kind regards
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Histon Safer Neighbourhood Team

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- 7.30 pm display and advice.

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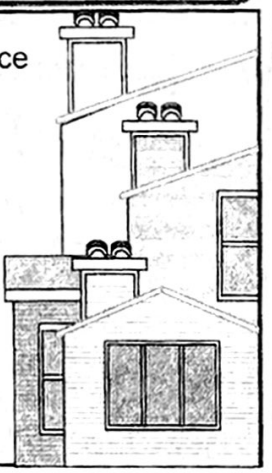

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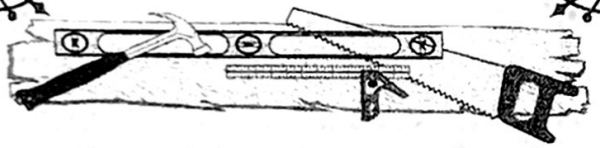

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As part of our World Book Day activities we are asking all adults in the school to nominate their favourite book from their childhood. We would be very interested to receive nominations from anyone in the village too. Just write the title of your favourite children's book and a brief reason for choosing it along with your name and we will compile a list which will be displayed on our Read It! noticeboard. So whether you were an Enid Blyton fan or dedicated to The Cat in the Hat we would love to hear from you. We will let you know in next month's edition of the Bar Hill News which books made a big impression on us all in our youth!

Sport Relief Friday 23rd March. As usual we will be supporting this event by wearing red and white and selling cakes. If you would like to donate to this good cause via the school please call at the school office.

Sainsbury's vouchers: 15th Feb – 10th April. We are now collecting these vouchers which may be delivered directly to the school or left in the box at the post office. We will also be collecting Tesco vouchers later in the year.

Many thanks for all your support.

The Olympics 2012 – a great opportunity to celebrate and get involved in Cambridgeshire

For the sporting….

As Olympic fever spreads across the country, many of us might feel inclined to get involved in some new sporting activities, whether in a competitive manner or just for a bit of fun.

Events will also be added to the www.cambridgeshire.net website as they are announced. If you have an event planned that you would like to publicise, it can be added to this website. If you have a disability, you can find out what activities you can get involved in locally at www.abilityplusgroup.co.uk, by calling the Ability PLUS Group on 01487 849929 or by contacting your local District Council.

For the not so sporting….

The Olympic Torch route will pass through Peterborough on 3rd July, Cambridge (as part of the Big Weekend on Parker's Piece) on 7th and 8th July and St Ives and Huntingdon on 8th July. Route details and times will be announced by London 2012 nearer the time.

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Cultural events will also be taking place. Information on local cultural events will be available on www.cambridgeshire.net as they are announced.

And finally, if you have been inspired by the 70,000 people who have registered as Olympic and Paralympic volunteers, you can sign up to volunteer at local events at www.volunteeringcambsandpboro.org.uk.

Little Acorns Pre-School

Little Acorns is a privately owned pre-school. We provide a wide range of activities to promote children's early learning and development. We are currently open Monday to Friday during term time from 9am – 3 pm. Children may come for a minimum of 2 ½ hours during this period up to the maximum of 6 hours per day, which would include staying for lunch.

Children are able to start pre-school as soon as they are 2 years old.

Nursery Education Funding (15 hours free per week) is available in the term after the child's 3rd birthday.

We are now registered to offer places to children on the 'free twos' scheme. If you are on income support you may be eligible for 10 hours per week of free care for your 2 year old. Please ask us for more information about referral or visit the children's centre who will also be able to advise you about this.

All our staff hold early years' qualifications and are trained in first aid and child protection.

For more information or to register your child please see our new website at www.littleacornspreschoolbarhill.co.uk or e-mail us at littleacorns.barhill@ntlworld.com

Or during session time please phone us on 07851803083 (and ask for Sally or Gail)

We are situated just off the green next door to the primary school; please feel free to pop in for a visit. Alternatively we hold termly open mornings for all our new starters when you and your child may visit together.

Our rooms are currently available to hire for children's parties and other events at very competitive rates (you don't have to attend pre-school to use this service) - again please ring or e-mail for more information.

We look forward to meeting you and your child soon.

Little Acorns Pre-School The Spare Building
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MONEY FOR CANCER CARE

We raised £100 for Cancer Care in February. This included your generosity on my gift stall at the Community Market and on-line giving. Thank you

Sarah Adams

Maple Surgery News
www.maplesurgery.co.uk
Telephone 01954 780442

National No smoking Day- 14th March

Take the leap - we all know that smoking kills but there are still more than 9 million smokers in the UK. For many people No Smoking Day has helped them take that final step to quitting and supporting them through that journey. Start your journey with us - book an appointment with our advisor now for the most up to date 'stop smoking' advice!

Patient Participation Group (PPG)

Our PPG is still looking for new members they meet on the last Wednesday evening of each month in the Octagon and are looking for representatives from all age groups within the community. For more information see website www.maple-ppg.org or call into the surgery.

Virtual Patient Reference group

In addition to our established PPG we are looking to set up a Patient Reference Group. The aim is to ensure a broader representation of patient views across different age and ethnic groups, specifically targeting those who don't visit the surgery regularly. We will be consulting you on a variety of issues via e mail as this is often more convenient than meeting face to face. So we need to have your up to date contact details particularly your e mail address. If you are interested please email maplesurgery.enquiries@nhs.net with VPRG as a heading and we will contact you with more details.

Opening hours

Our doors are now only closed from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm, but our phone lines are open from 8:30 am through to 6 pm. If you need to contact us, for whatever reason then just call reception on 01954 780442.

Repeat Prescriptions

Did you know you can also request your repeat medications over the internet?
Just email maplesurgery.repeats@nhs.net

Practice Closures

In March we will be closed in the afternoon of Wednesday 15th for Clinical Governance training. We will also be closed on the morning of 28th March for staff training whilst we continue with our quality improvement plans for the practice.
Regards from Maple Surgery Team

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Bar Hill Community Website

This website includes sections for Community Articles, Local Events, Business Directory, Classified Ads and User Forum for local residents to open up a dialog with each other. In future as the site grows it will need volunteers for editing, moderating and contributing articles.
If you have something to say to the many website visitors or wish to get involved on a regular basis, stop past the website www.barhillcommunity.com and register, or email info@barhillcommunity.com.

Bar Hill Tennis Club- 2011 AGM
www.barhilltennisclub.co.uk

Before the new season begins we invite all existing and potential new members to our Annual General Meeting which will be held this year at **7.30 pm on Thursday 20 March 2012 in The Fox.** Everyone is welcome to attend.
We invite all current, lapsed and new members to come along and play on the courts. Please encourage your family, neighbours and friends to come down to our club social nights to play some tennis. We welcome players of **all** abilities. Tennis is an excellent way to keep fit and enjoy the summer evenings in a relaxed and friendly environment.
Our Adult Club nights are Tuesdays and Thursdays 7 to 9 pm.
CONTACTS:
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Paul Chubbuck 01954 781 688
(paul.chubbuck@btinternet.com)
Claire Hutchinson
(Clair.hutch@yahoo.co.uk)
FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT OUR WEB SITE www.barhilltennisclub.co.uk

PLANNING TO DEAL WITH A MAJOR EMERGENCY IN THE VILLAGE

The Parish Council has been asked by South Cambs to formulate a plan to deal with a major emergency in the village. The first meeting has been held between a group of Councillors, and representatives from the Residents' Association and Neighbourhood Watch. When we have formulated the plan I will write another article.
We want all residents eventually to be aware of what the plan contains and what they should do in an emergency. Any ideas from residents will be welcome – please contact the Clerk by telephone 780456, email: bhillpc-1@btconnect.com, in person Monday to Thursday, 10 am to noon, or put your ideas in writing through the mailbox at the Parish Council Office (next to the Octagon).
Margaret Sellars Chairman Parish Council

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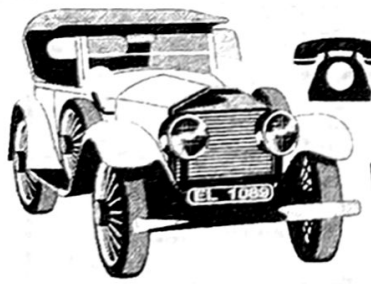

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Parish Council Web Site – www.barhillpc.org.uk.
This will keep you up to date on current affairs in the village including meeting minutes and agenda.

Parish Council Meetings

The next monthly Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday 15 March at 7 pm in the Parish Council Office and all members of the public and press are welcome to attend. There is an Open Forum at the start of the meeting for residents to put their views across. Please come along if you have an issue to raise, or if you just want to see what goes on at our meetings.

Village Notice Board

This is very popular with residents who stop and look at the notices as they come into the shopping area. May I remind residents/organisations that notices should not be placed on fences/street lights etc. Please send your notice to me for inclusion on the notice board.

Watch found

a lady's watch was found on the footpath close to the school. Please see me if you think it is yours.

HANDY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Streetlights: 0800 253529 quoting the CCC No. (written on lamppost).

South Cambridgeshire District Council: (03450 450500)

County Council **(damaged paths and roads)**: (01223) 717111

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Leigh Baffa
Parish Clerk

Tel: 01954 780456

Email: bhillpc-1@btconnect.com

Saturday 10 March
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By popular demand, the 18 piece Opus 17 Swing Band, plus their vocalists, are appearing once again at Over Community Centre.
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But, remember this event always sells out.
Doors open 7.15 pm for a 8.00 pm start.
Tickets are £14 each, nibbles included, available from Julia Warren on 01954 230056, John Dyer on 01954 230828 or Sarah Merry at the Day Centre
All proceeds to the Over Day Centre

VILLAGE HALL

To book or contact us at the village hall, please telephone 01954 782414 and leave a message (speak slowly and clearly please) and we will call you back within 24 hours Monday-Friday, OR e-mail us on barhill.villagehall@btconnect.com. We look forward to hearing from you.

During the week we have all the following groups and clubs.

Mon	Helene Jones Dance	3.30-8.15 pm
Helene's class is run in school term times only		
Tues	Zumba	10 - 11 am
Tues	Shotokan Karate	5.45-8.00 pm
Tues	Danielle (Boot Camp)	8-9.00 pm
Wed	Helen Jones (Dance)	4-6.45 pm
Wed	Zumba	7-8 pm
Wed	Pilates	8-9 pm
Thurs	Zumba	9.30 - 10.30 am
Thurs	Pilates	10.30-11.30 am
Thurs	Karate	4 - 5 pm
Thurs	Weightwatchers	7 - 8 pm
Fri	Martial Arts	6.30-8.30 pm
Sat	Sweat and Tone	8 - 9 am
Sat	Zumba	9 - 10 am
Sun	Bingo (doors open 7.15)	7.45-9.30 pm

Cash prices - No Bingo on Bank Holiday Sundays
(Please contact the office for details)

Carol Griffin

Bar Hill Parent and Toddler Group

Wednesday and Friday 9:45 to 11:15 am

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Drinks and snacks are provided.

Prices:
Under 1's – £1 (or FREE when paying for a sibling over 1)
Over 1's - £2
Maximum charge per family / childminder - £3

Visit our facebook page for details of upcoming events.
Or email: bhparentandtoddler@gmail.com

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A v-fit recumbent magnetic cycle - £300 when new - only used a couple of times - taking up valuable space £100 wanted - must be collected: call on 01954201686.

NATIONAL WOMEN'S REGISTER

NWR is a countrywide network of autonomous groups of lively minded women. We promote friendship and self confidence, share ideas, discuss topics, listen to speakers and enjoy social events.

1st March ALL THINGS WELSH – Today is St. David's Day so come along with all things Welsh. Research cities, castles, customs, mountains, food, just as long as it is Welsh. Venue: Heather's

March 15th UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE – a quiz to test the brain cells! Venue: Di's

March 29th BOOK AND POETRY EVENING – Choose a favourite book or poem and share it with the group. Inspire others to read the book or poem. Venue: Jackie J's

April 12th PLANNING MEETING Venue: Karen's

The Bar Hill group meets informally on alternate Thursday evenings and we pay just £1 per meeting to cover costs. All women are welcome. If you would like more information, or someone to accompany you to a meeting please do not hesitate to call Jenny O'Dell on 201269 or Jackie Ellis on 780523. NWR can also be found on www.nwr.org.uk,: why not have a look!

International Ladies Group

We are a friendly group of ladies from all nationalities who live in Bar Hill and surrounding villages. We get together on a regular basis for shared meals, restaurant visits and events. We especially welcome ladies who are new to the village and would like to meet other residents.

Our events are:

Friday March 9th - shared meal (venue to be decided)
Friday June 22nd - shared meal/picnic

If you would like further information or would like to come to the group, please contact Sarah Adams - sadams@chesterton.cambs.sch.uk

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Our children enjoy a wide range of inspiring equipment, games and craft activities, from pool to computer games, dressing up to craft and lots more, or if they prefer they can chill out on our comfy sofas. We also use the safe environment of the school playground for outdoor play. A snack, such as pasta, filled pittas etc followed by a biscuit and fresh fruit is provided. We make birthday cakes to celebrate each child's birthday, which we share.

We are registered with OSTED: this enables parents/ guardians who are eligible, to claim up to 70% of their childcare costs. We are also able to accept childcare vouchers eg Fair Care and Busy Bees.

Our opening hours are:

Term Time 3.10 pm – 6 pm Monday to Friday
School Holidays 8.15 – 6 pm Monday to Friday

Our fees are:

Term Time £3.95/hour for 1st child and £3.50/hour for siblings, which includes the snack.

School Holidays which also include the snack have special day rates:

8.15 am – 6 pm £26.00 (£2.66/hr)
8.30 am – 1 pm £14.00
1.15 pm – 5.30 pm £14.00
10 am – 12 pm Holiday craft sessions £5.00/Session

We are now pleased to be able to offer childcare to 3 year olds, both after Pre-School and during the school holidays.

Whether you are looking for full time, part time or just occasional childcare, or our special holiday craft sessions, we are able to offer all of these. Please feel free to contact us if you would like any more information or would like to come along and see what we have to offer.

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